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REMARKS

This is in response to the Office Action of October 30, 2008. Claims 14-34 are amended to clarify that each is intended to cover the enantiomers, addition salts, and onium salts recited in claim 1 as well as the recited chemical compounds. New claim 44 is added, based upon claim 1 and claim 31. New claim 45 is added, dependent from claim 44, and subgeneric to the elected species herein. New claim 46 is added, directed to the elected species herein. No new subject matter is added to the application by this Amendment. Claims 1-42 and 44-46 are pending in this application.

Restriction was required amongst various invention groupings identified by the Examiner on page 2 of the Office Action. Applicants elect the invention identified by the Examiner as Group II. This election is made with traverse. Applicants respectfully submit that the Examiner's groupings arbitrarily divide from one another analogous chemical compounds which would most efficiently be examined together along with the elected invention. Accordingly, withdrawal—or at least modification—of the requirement for restriction is earnestly solicited.

In response to the requirement for election of species, Applicants' elect the species 6,6'-bis-[1,4]-diaza-bicyclo[3,2.2]nonan-1-yl-[3,3']-bipyridazinyl. Claims 1, 2, 5, 8, 14-25, 27-29, 31, 32, and 33-46 read on the elected species.

Early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Richard Gallagher (Reg. No. 28,781) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies

to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees which might be required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.14; particularly, fees relating to extensions of time.

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Respectfully submitted,

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